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SUBJECT: PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY PRODUCTION STATISTICS

REF: SAO PAULO 1700, 3 AUG. 1973

1. OFFICIAL DATA ALMOST NON-EXISTENT ON PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY IN VENEZUELA. ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT STATISTICAL OFFICE, THERE WERE 72 ESTABLISHMENTS PRODUCING ALL CATEGORIES OF DRUGS IN 1970. VALUE OF PRODUCTION FOR THAT YEAR WAS \$76.7 MILLION. SAME SOURCE INDICATES TOTAL DRUG SALES BY THE INDUSTRY AMOUNTED TO \$68.2 MILLION. DRUG IMPORTS ARE NOT INCLUDED IN PREVIOUS DATA.

2. PRIVATE U.S. MANUFACTURER IN VENEZUELA DESIGNATED BY AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AS AUTHORITY ON THIS INDUSTRY HAS OFFERED TO PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH ITS OWN MARKET RESEARCH DATA FOR 1968-70 PERIOD. THE INFORMATION COVERS ONLY THE COMMERCIAL MARKET, AND NOT SALES TO THE VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT. THIS DATA AND AN ESTIMATE OF GOVERNMENT PURCHASES WILL BE FORWARDED AS SOON AS OBTAINED.

3. INFORMATION ON FINE CHEMICALS PROCESSED INTO PHARMACEUTICALS IS NOT AVAILABLE. PRIVATE SOURCE STATES THERE ARE NO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES IN VENEZUELAN DRUG INDUSTRY AND NO NEW PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT.

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4. J.L. SIGLER OF I.R.S. HAS SEEN THE INFORMATION AND WILL
FOLLOW UP AND ACQUIRE ADDITIONAL DATA WEEK OF THE 20TH.
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